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AND can any Body blame the *Review*, for telling you the New Ministry, if they would Manage Honestly, would be all *Whigs*?—Why, you see the Clergy are all become *Whigs*, the highest Flying *Sacheverellite* of them all, could not make their Address to the Queen speak Sense, if he did not speak the *Whiglandish* Tongue — This Revives what I said before; They that will concern themselves in this Government, must do it the Government-Way, they must come over to the same Steps that have been taken before them, and walk in the Old Revolution Path, or they will do worse.

We have an Undoubted Proof of this, in the Case of the Clergy of the Cities of *London*, &c. Before they Address'd, before they came to talk to the Queen; in their Sermons, in their Printed Books, they talk'd as other of the Clergy talk'd, they Preach'd up Passive Obedience and Non-Resistance as blindly, and some of them as warmly, as any *Sacheverell* of them all cou'd do, and mighty warm doings of this kind we had among us.

But when they come to A& in a more publick Capacity, when they begin to talk to the Queen, and of course to come Home to the Point, and speak serious Truth, all this

this Jargon of the Press, and Pulpit, vanish'd at once; then they must come to speak *English*, and own Truth; then they deal plainly, and own to the Queen that all the pretences to these Things have been Cheats and Frauds; and that truly they have Vigorously Resisted Arbitrary Power, they have stood up and taken Arms against their Sovereign, in defence of Religion and Liberty, against Popery and Tyranny; and let none of our Princes deceive themselves, if ever they Meditate the return of Popery or Arbitrary Power, they Individually, they the B——p and Clergy of London, will manifest an equal Zeal against them.

My Blessing upon them for it; now they speak like *English-men*, like a Protestant Clergy, what ever they may have flourish'd, and talk'd at random in the Pulpit——Now they come to talk to the Queen, they lay their Hands upon their Hearts, and speak what is really and seriously the State and bottom of the Case; perhaps some of that Reverend Body might go a great length in their warm Zeal, for Old Exotick Principles, that when it comes to the Touch, would not hold Water——*Well, Well*, we must pass that by, you see when they come to the push, they are all Honest; even Mr. *Milbourn* himself, set his Hand to this Address, and kiss'd her Majesty's Hand in Token of his Assent to it——And no doubt has Renounc'd his former Error of Submission to *Tyranny* and *Oppression*——And will as much as in him lies, suppress his Book Entitled, *Melius Inquirendum*, as being contrary to what, on a more serious Enquiry, he has found to be the Truth.

And what is all this now? Is not this to turn *Whigs*?——Are not all the London Clergy turn'd *Whigs*?——In short, as I told you before, that the New Ministry must be *Whigs* or *Traitors*, so I tell you now, the London Clergy are all *Whigs* or *Hypocrites*——Let them choose for themselves——Nor am I afraid at all of the Expression, for taken, as I have before explain'd myself, it can bear no other Construction.

To Resist Tyranny, Vigorously to withstand Arbitrary Power, to Engage to Oppose for the Future, the return of Arbitrary Power, in what Hand soever, or by what Means soever, it shall make the Attempt, whether by our Priests or otherwise, for none are excepted; is not this *Whiggism* in Perfection? Have we not Fifty Addresses, and perhaps twice that Number, that have call'd this Resisting a Damnable, Schismatical, Republican, Antimonarchical Principle? Do not they mean *Whigs* by all that Railery?

To bless God from the Bottom of their Hearts for *Legal Provisions* to secure the Protestant Succession——i.e. by Disinheriting the Popish Pretenders, how Direct soever their Line, how Visible soever their Claim, nay, even in the House of *Hannover* itself, if not Protestant, to make it lawful for us to withstand them, if they offer to come in, and put in their Claim——Is not all this *Whiggism*?

A Gentleman, who I suppose is a Foreigner, lately sent me a Letter in *French*, to desire a short Account of the Original of the Words *Tory* and *Whig*, and how they came at first Applicable to Parties in *England*; tho' I have not Time or Room here, to do it Completely, and at Length, yet I'll give it him in Little, (as exactly falling in with my present Occasion, to describe a *Whig*) perhaps it may be New to some that shall read it: In short then;

The Word *Tory* is *Irish*, and was first made use of there, in the Time of Queen *Elizabeth's* Wars in *Ireland*; it signify'd a kind of Robbers, who being Listed in neither Army, prey'd in General upon their Country, without Distinction of *English* or *Spaniard*.

In the *Irish* Massacre, Anno 1641, you had them in great Numbers, Assistant in every Thing that was Bloody and Villainous, and particularly when Humanity prevail'd upon some of the Papists, to preserve Protestant Relations; these were such as chose

to Butcher Brothers and Sisters, and Fathers and Mothers, the Dearest Friends and nearest Relations ——— And these were call'd *Tories*.

In *England* about the Year 1680, a Party of Men appear'd among us, who tho' pretended Protestants, yet apply'd themselves to the Ruin and Destruction of their Country ——— They began with Ridiculing the Popish Plot, and Encouraging the Papists to revive it ——— They pursu'd their Designs in Banishing the Duke of *Monmouth*, and calling Home the Duke of *Tork*; then in Abhorring, Petitioning, in opposing the Bill of Exclusion, giving up Charters, and the Liberties of their Country, to the Arbitrary Will of their Prince; then in Murthering Patriots, Persecuting Dissenters, and at last, in setting up a *Popish Prince*, on pretence of Hereditary Right, and Tyranny on pretence of Passive Obedience.

These Men for their Eminent Preying upon their Country, and their Cruel, Bloody Disposition, began to shew themselves so like the *Irish* Thieves and Murtherers aforesaid, that they quickly got the Name of *Tories* ——— Their real Godfather and who gave them the Name, was *Titus Oats*, and the Occasion as follows; the Author of this happned to be present ——— There was a Meeting of some Honest People in the City, upon the Occasion of the Discovery of some Attempt, to stifle the Evidences of the Witnesses, and Tampering with *Bedlow* and *Stephen Dugdale* ——— And among the Discourse *Mr. Bedlow* said he had Letters from *Ireland*, that there were some *Tories* to be brought over hither, who were privately to Murther *Dr. Oats*, and the said *Bedlow*.

The Doctor whose Zeal was very hot, could never hear any Man after this talk against the Plot, or against the Witnesses, but he Thought he was one of these *Tories*, and call'd almost every Man a *Tory* that oppos'd him in Discourse ——— till at last, the Word *Tory* became Popular, and it stuck so close to the Party in all their Bloody Proceedings, that they had no Way to get it

off; so at last they own'd it, just as they do now the Name of *Hib Flyer*.

As to the Word *Whig*, it is *Scotts*, the use of it began there, when the *Western* Men, call'd *Cameronians*, took Arms frequently for their Religion ——— *Whig*, was a Word us'd in those Parts, for a kind of Liquor the *Western High Land* Men us'd to Drink, whose Composition I do not Remember, and so became common to the People that drank it; it afterwards became a Denomination to the Poor Harrafs'd People of that part of the Country, who being unmercifully Persecuted by the Government, AGAINST all Law and Justice, thought they had a Civil Right to their Religious Liberties, and therefore frequently Resisted the Arbitrary Power of their Princes.

These Men, tired with innumerable Oppressions, Ravishings, Murthers, and Plundrings, took up Arms about the Year 1681, being the Famous Insurrection at *Bothwell Bridge* ——— The Duke of *Monmouth* then in Favour here, was sent against them by King *Charles*, and Defeated them; at his return, instead of Thanks for the good Service, he found himself ill Treated for using them too Mercifully ——— And *D. Lauderdale* told King *Charles*, with an Oath, That the Duke had been so Civil to *Whigs*, because he was a *Whig* himself in his Heart ——— This made it a Court Word, and in a little while all the Friends and Followers of the Duke, began to be called *Whigs*; and they, as the other Party did by the Word *Tory*, took it freely enough to themselves ———

Now to Sum it all up.

A *Tory* is a Plunderer of his Country, a Persecutor for Religion, a Bloody Destroyer without Law, a Betrayer of Liberties, and one that will give up his Nation to Popery and Arbitrary Power, under the pretence of Passive Obedience and Non Resistance.

A *Whig* is one ——— That Blesses God from the bottom of his Heart, for the Legal Provisions made against Popery,

in a Parliamentary Succession ; That Vigorously withstood Popery and Arbitrary Power at the Revolution, when his Lawful King was setting both up, and will manifest equal Zeal against them, when ever any future Kings or Queens

shall Meditate their return; vide the London Clergy's Address.

Now, Gentlemen, if the London Clergy are Whigs or Tories, Judge ye.

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